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CHINA.

*Report from Hongkong.*HONGKONG, CHINA, *February 4, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the report of inspection work at this station for the week ended February 2, 1901: Five hundred and seventy-two persons were bathed during the week, and 736 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. All shipping orders containing food products were viséed, indorsing on the order the origin of goods when possible, and rejecting prohibited articles when the origin was unknown. A visit was made during the week to a number of Chinese firms that ship Chinese medicines, for the purpose of ascertaining the character of these goods and the method of preparation; and, although they are mostly herbs, they are thoroughly cleaned and dried, and in little if any danger of conveying infection. There were no communicable diseases reported during the week.

Respectfully,

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The SURGEON-GENERAL,
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[Inclosure.]

Report of vessels inspected at Hongkong, China, week ended February 2, 1901.

Date.	Name of vessel.	Destination.	Crew.	Passengers.		Re-jected.
				Cabin.	Steer- age.	
Jan. 28	Br. str. Loong Sang (a).....	Manila.....	70	10	4	0
Jan. 29	Br. str. Esmeralda (b).....	Manila, via Amoy.....	56	2	198	1
Do.....	Am. str. Kamkal (b).....	Manila.....	9	0	0	0
Do.....	Br. str. Coptic (a).....	San Francisco.....	130	19	101	0
Do.....	Br. str. Adato (b).....	Portland, Oreg.....	39	0	0	0
Jan. 30	Ger. str. Nereus (c).....	do.....	25	0	0	0
Jan. 31	Br. str. Diamante.....	Manila.....	69	61	24	0
Feb. 1	Am. str. Olympia.....	Tacoma.....	67	1	15	0
Do.....	Br. str. Valute.....	Manila.....	48	0	0	0
Feb. 2	Br. str. Monmouthshire.....	Portland, Oreg.....	55	2	0	0

a Asiatic crew and steerage passengers bathed and effects disinfected by steam.

b Asiatic crew bathed and effects disinfected by steam.

c Rock ballast.

CUBA.

*Reports from Cienfuegos, Casilda, and Santa Cruz del Sur.*CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, *March 11, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report of the district under my command for the week ended March 9, 1901:

Seventeen deaths occurred in this city, the following report showing the causes of deaths—rachitis, 2; uræmia, 1; embolism, 1; pernicious fever, 1; anæmia, cerebral, 1; cirrhosis of the liver, 1; insufficiency, aortic, 1; insufficiency, mitral, 1; anæmia, 1; hæmoptysis, 1; yellow fever, 1; tetanus, infantile, 1; tuberculosis, 1; bronco-pneumonia, 1; cachexia, 1; paludic fever, 1. Eight of these deaths occurred in the civil hospital. Death rate, 22.16.

The case of yellow fever mentioned in my last report died at the lazaretto the same day. This case is interesting from the fact that there is

a strong belief among shipping people that a case of yellow fever never occurs on a cattle vessel. I apprehend no spread of the disease, as the hospital where he was treated was disinfected, and as I found by inquiry that of the 20 patients in the hospital ward at that time all but 2 were probably immunes. At my suggestion one of these nonimmunes, a newly arrived Spaniard, was discharged. The other one was too sick to be discharged and is kept under observation, and as yet has not been attacked.

Although expected the steamship *Fri* has not arrived as yet, but in the meantime a spot large enough for a detention camp has been cleared off by the station attendants at Punta Ladrillos and other preparations have been made for taking care of them should the *Fri* arrive with other cases.

Twenty-two vessels have been inspected and passed; 18 vessels have been issued bills of health; 55 health certificates have been issued passengers leaving Cienfuegos; 51 pieces of baggage for passengers leaving Cienfuegos, inspected and passed, and 22 pieces of baggage from Havana, destination Manzanillo and Santiago, have been labeled to be disinfected at those ports.

Casilda.—Dr. Alejandro Cantero reports 3 deaths in the city of Trinidad during the week; no contagious diseases reported. Inspected 6 vessels at the port of Casilda during the week.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Dr. Juan R. Xiques reports no deaths at that port during the week; no contagious diseases reported. Inspected 9 vessels at that port during the week.

Respectfully,

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The SURGEON-GENERAL,

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Inspection of immigrants at Cienfuegos during the week ended March 9, 1901.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, *March 10, 1901.*

SIR: I herewith submit report of alien steerage passengers at this port during the week ended March 9, 1901: March 9, steamship *Saratoga*, from New York, with 10 immigrants.

Respectfully,

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Report from Havana.

HAVANA, CUBA, *March 11, 1901.*

SIR: By direction of the chief quarantine officer, I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of this station for the week ended March 9:

One new case of yellow fever has been reported. The report for the week shows 3 cases with 1 discharge, thus leaving 2 cases now on hand.

During the week a strike occurred among the stevedores in the bay, making it necessary to allow the Ward Line steamship *Morro Castle* and the Munson Line steamer from Mobile to lie alongside the dock to discharge cargo. Guards were placed on these vessels and every care was taken to keep the crews aboard, as well as carry out all quarantine precautions. The steamship *Morro Castle* brought 78 stevedores from New York to handle the cargo at this port. These men were retained